

**Southeastern North Dakota Community Action Agency
Fargo, ND**

Project Title	Saving Our Cents
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AFI Grant Amount	\$32,000
Nonfederal Support	\$32,000
Project Period	September 2002 – September 2007
Highlights	Southeastern North Dakota Community Action Agency (CAA) is offering 12 IDAs under this grant for homeownership, microenterprise, and post-secondary education. The match rate is \$2 to \$1, up to \$2,000 accumulated over 60 months. Participants work closely with Self-Reliance case managers/family development specialists in each partnering agency and attend regular financial management classes. Beyond core training, additional supportive services include employment support, childcare, crisis management, structured planning exercises, mentoring, peer support, counseling, and credit repair.
Target Population	Counties comprising the majority of North Dakota.
Grantee/Collaborative Description	Southeastern North Dakota CAA created a CAA partnership with three CAAs in this collaborative. Each contributed match funds and is conducting outreach, recruitment and selection of participants, and case management. CAAs include Southeastern North Dakota CAA, Red River Valley Community Action, and Community Action and Development Program. Bremer Bank is holding the reserve account and is additionally hosting participant IDAs, as is Community First National Bank. Matching funds were provided by various CAAs in the State, a bank, and Eastern Dakota Housing Alliance.